

G. W. U. CELEBRATES COMMENCEMENT

Exercises Will Be in Continental Hall.

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Rev. D. J. Stafford Will Deliver Commencement Address—One of the Largest Graduation Classes.

George Washington University will hold its eighty-fifth annual commencement at Memorial Continental Hall tomorrow morning.

The university procession will assemble at the main building, Fifteenth and H streets northwest, at 9:30 o'clock and at 10 o'clock will proceed to Continental Hall. Heading the procession will be President Needham and the speaker, followed by the board of trustees and the chaplain, the trustees of the universities and colleges, the official guests, the deans of the faculties, the faculties, and the candidates for degrees.

Rev. Stafford to Make Address.

The exercises will be opened by a prayer offered by Rev. Samuel H. Greene, The Rev. Deila J. Stafford will deliver the commencement address, after which President Needham will confer the degrees. Candidates for degrees in Columbian College will be presented by Dean Wilbur, those for degrees under the faculty of medicine by Dean Phillips, under the faculty of dentistry by Dean Lewis, under the National College of Pharmacy by Dean Kalousowski, under the department of law and jurisprudence by Dean Underhill, under the department of politics and diplomacy by Prof. Lorenzen, under the faculty of graduate studies by Dean Munroe, for degree of doctor of civil law by Dean Vance, and for the degree of doctor of philosophy by Dean Munroe.

Presentation of Prizes.

The university prizes will be presented by the deans of the different departments, and the presentation of prizes in history will be by Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey, on behalf of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Dean Wilbur will announce the scholarships. Music will be furnished by the Marine Band, and selections will be rendered at various intervals of the program.

The class this year is one of the largest in the history of the university and numbers among it many students from the District of Columbia.

FRATERNAL SOCIETIES WIN GREAT VICTORY

Missouri Supreme Court Declares Them Not Liable Under Forfeiture as Life Insurance Companies.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., June 5.—The State supreme court en banc has handed down an opinion of importance to 400,000 policyholders of Missouri and several million policyholders in fraternal insurance associations throughout the United States.

The case was that of Mary Westerman against the Endowment Rank, Knights of Pythias, in which the plaintiff received judgment for \$5,236 in the St. Louis circuit court for the death of her husband, who joined the association in 1886. The decision today reversed this finding. The suit was instituted in 1902. Division No. 1 of the supreme court affirmed the decision of the lower court, and the case was transferred to the court en banc for rehearing. The suit was prosecuted on the theory that the defendant company was under the same law as regular life insurance companies.

The association forfeited the member for failure to make a monthly payment in August, 1901. Westerman died in January, 1902. The plaintiff contended that the monthly payments for six years prior to the forfeiture had created a reserve in behalf of the beneficiary to pay for extended insurance beyond the period of death; and that the certificate was nonforfeitable under the statute of Missouri which was copied from the nonforfeitable statute of Massachusetts and adopted by three-fourths of the States of the United States.

Judge Fox wrote the opinion, which holds that the defendant is a fraternal society, and not liable as a regular life insurance company. It is stated in this decision is the most important to fraternal societies that has been handed down in many years, as the entire plan upon which fraternal societies are organized was involved.

TRIED HIS GRAVE TO INSURE A FIT

Aged Farmer Prepares Last Resting Place for Himself and Wife and Orders Tombstones.

CLIO, S. C., June 5.—In the presence of bystanders at the recent completion of his tomb, Joel Covington, aged farmer, lay down at full length in the grave he had built and found it comfortable. His wife's grave adjoining was not tried in that fashion.

At a public dedication there were eulogies of the couple by prominent citizens and a few simple exercises. When he was sixty-eight Mr. Covington first decided that he wanted to be buried the way he is going to be. He and his wife have their burial clothes ready also. Here is what he says about his tomb.

Hebron Cemetery is a beautiful place to look upon by the passerby, but the cemetery is very level with no outlet for rain water to pass off. Therefore, many are sleeping there in a watery grave. From my youth I have been blessed with a good feather bed to rest on from the hardship of farm life, and I should be buried any way after our years of hard work. Therefore, about ten years ago I dug out a place large enough to fix water tight with good brick, with a wall about eighteen inches thick between the two graves, and ordered marble slabs to cover the same with their names in them. "I am in my seventy-sixth year and my wife in her sixty-eighth year, and we look to having many a good time yet before the marble slabs are slipped aside for our interment."

Baby Prince to Make Ten-Day Royal Progress

Olaf, the Infant Heir to the Throne of Norway, in Anything but Royal Garb.



CHRISTIANIA, June 4.—A regular royal progress will follow the coronation of King Haakon and Queen Maud, which is to take place at historic Lillehammer on June 22.

The royal pair and the baby Crown Prince Olaf will travel by road through the country districts to Trondhjem, a distance of 150 miles, receiving the loyal greetings of the Norwegian peasants.

The journey will be made in easy stages, extending over ten days. There will be five carriages and two baggage wagons—one carriage for the King and Queen, one for the crown prince and his nurse, and three for the royal suite, with a staff of servants in the rear. Every little town on the route of this royal progress will be decorated and the new King and Queen will be heartily greeted.

Girl Takes Her Life For Unrequited Love

Met Boy at Dancing School and Felt That She Could Not Endure Life Without His Affection.

PHILADELPHIA, June 5.—The violent affection of Miss Helen Kendig for Harry Miller Ordnot, which caused the young woman to commit suicide at her home, 2661 Pemberton street, was apparently never returned by the young man, who says he regarded her merely as a dancing school acquaintance.

Great Love for Ordnot.

Miss Kendig, before her death, wrote three letters. One was addressed to her mother, one to Ordnot, and a third to Miss Elizabeth Engel. The one to Ordnot was as follows:

Dear Harry—I am returning all your letters and little things that I have. I love them too much to destroy them. I do not wish other hands to handle them, so I give them back to you. They are the memories of happy times. The only thing I am keeping is a small bunch of sweet peas, the ones on which your dear head rested once when you had a bad cold. How I loved you then. How could you treat me so? If you didn't love me, why did you say so and why were you so kind and sweet to me that I could feel you into my heart and forget everything and everybody but you? When I saw that girl waiting for you to take her home my heart died. It is so heavy it is dragging me down and killing me. When I think of living my life without you I feel as if I had been climbing a dangerous mountain, you taking my hand and leading me, only to suddenly leave me alone in all the danger.

Heaven Where He Is.

Heaven is where you are; all else is dark. And now, good-by, Harry, my darling. God bless you and those you love.

I want you to have my ring, and do not give it to any other girl. Wear it, perhaps it will be a charm.

Come and see me when I am lying in my coffin, and just kiss me once on the forehead. I believe I would know it and it would make me happy. I know I have not always been as good as I should, but I have suffered more than I have sinned. I feel sure you will come to me some day; it is just a dreadful mistake, but you could not help it. I wish I could feel your dear face against mine and kiss you once more, but it is too late. Know this: Wherever I am, I love you, love you; I love you. It is eternal. It will never die.

Good-by, darling; good-by. Your broken-hearted HELEN.

Began With Dancing School.

To her mother the girl wrote:

Dear Mother—I am sorry to put you to this trouble, but I cannot live without Harry. I guess you think I am silly, but I cannot change my nature. He is my life. My heart is broken since that Friday I went to dancing school. Since then I have been able to feel nothing but that awful ache in my heart. I want you to write or phone to Lizzie (right away), and tell her to come down. I want her to give that package of letters and my ring to Harry. I give you my beads. The little and other things divide between you.

Those sweet peas I would like to have buried with me. Put them in my hand. Because it is all I have of Harry. And now good-by, with love to all. HELEN.

WOMEN MAIL CLERKS FOR DENVER SERVICE

Several Civil Service Eligibles Expected to Receive Appointments to Fill Vacancies.

MUSKET MANY YEARS OLD USED IN HISTORIC FIGHTS

MT. STERLING, Ky., June 5.—One of the most interesting relics of bygone days which will be seen at the Home Coming in Louisville is an old flint-lock musket, owned by Col. J. W. Jones, of Powell county.

The musket is over 150 years old and is an excellent state of preservation. It was made in England and was brought to this country by a British soldier, who used it in the Revolutionary War.

The next heard of it it was used in the battle of Waterloo. The weapon was then evidently in peace for some years, and was used again in the war with Spain and Mexico.

It was next used in the battles between Mexico and Texas, when a Mexican soldier carried it.

JUDGE TELLS MOTHER TO SPANK ELOPING SON

Boy of Seventeen Stole Her Money to Buy Trousseau for Bride of Thirteen.

PHILADELPHIA, June 5.—While Schambreaner, aged seventeen, met Susie Wilson, thirteen, three weeks ago and fell in love. Willie had no money. His mother had some, though, hid away in a bureau drawer. Willie decided he would seek his girl in something fine, and then they would be married in Wilmington.

He bought Susie a hat, a waist, and a pair of shoes, and gave her some money for a dress, but right at this point the prospective mother-in-law discovered her loss, and Willie was taken before Magistrate William J. Hughes. Unhappily, he blamed it all on Susie.

"He gave me that money to keep for him," said Susie, with tears in her eyes. "He told me that he had his grandmother insured, and that when she died he got \$150. I didn't know he stole the money. If I had I would not have touched it."

"She tells the truth," said Willie. "Little girl, you can go," said the magistrate, turning to Susie.

"Madam," he said to the boy's mother, "take your boy home and spank him."

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HOLY SYNOD HEAD WOULD FREE JEWS

New Procurator Confides His Views on Religion.

EQUAL RIGHTS IN RUSSIA

Believes Hebrews Should Have Same Privileges as Others in Czar's Domain.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 5.—To ascertain the attitude of the government toward the duma demands for absolute religious freedom and for universal compulsory education, Prince Obolensky, who now occupies M. Pobidonostoff's chair as procurator of the Holy Synod, was questioned.

"The government has no definite program on the religious question," said Prince Obolensky, "and I myself have not the power to introduce fresh legislation. I believe that the duma will itself legislate in favor of complete religious freedom. The government will not oppose it. I, as representative of the church, will help until religious disabilities of every kind are removed.

Freedom for All.

"The history of Russia, the history of all countries, proves that religious questions exist only because of religious disabilities, and that the latter are useless as means of repression. If we establish religious freedom, we shall have no more religious problems. As a Russian and Greek orthodox, I sympathize with the dominant race and religion, but it is for that reason that I am in favor of freedom for all.

"The Jewish question is the most serious. I favor complete freedom for Jews, and I don't believe the government will oppose it. I am not so sure about the duma. The Democrats will certainly keep their pledge to emancipate the Jews, but without peasant co-operation they will be in a minority. There is reason to fear that the peasants may be against emancipation. They know nothing of the question.

"If the peasants and the small reactionary party allied themselves against emancipation, the Democrats could not carry it."

Laws Themselves Not Bad.

"A great deal depends upon the administration of existing laws. The laws themselves are not so bad. The recent tendency has been to administer the anti-Jewish laws mildly. The holy synod has nothing to do with that matter, but it has power to put forward the views of the orthodox Church. Since I have been procurator, I have always urged the most liberal policy in the matter, and I will continue to do so.

"I treat our other religious problems, the Catholic, the Stundist, the Lutheran, the Old-Believer, the Mohammedan problem in the same way. That is, I favor entire freedom, and until that is attained I urge that the restrictive laws be applied in the most lenient way."

SHOT THROUGH TWICE; NO FEAR OF BULLETS

"Buffalo" George, of South Dakota, Believes He Bears a Charmed Life.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., June 5.—Resisting arrest because the other had no warrant, William George, more commonly known as "Buffalo," was made a target at close range. Beyond penetrating his vest and powder burning his shirt the heavy bullet did no damage to "Buffalo," who appears to bear a charmed life so far as bullets are concerned. He no longer fears them.

On two former occasions he was the target for a peace officer's six-shooter each time the bullet passing entirely through his body, but failed to strike a vital spot.

"My experiences," said "Buffalo," "convince me that I am bullet-proof. Now am considering the idea of hiring out to the Government as a torpedo boat destroyer, or some kind of a submarine vessel, as I am at home in the water, and bullets, dynamite, or other explosives do not appear to affect me."

WILL OF REUBEN HARRIS FILED FOR PROBATE

The will of Reuben Harris, the jeweler, was offered for probate yesterday. Under the terms, one-half of the estate is devised to the widow, Hattie Harris. The sum of \$20,000 is devised to the executors in trust, the proceeds of which are to be paid to the widow as long as she shall live. At her death it is to be divided among the children. The sum of \$5,000 is to go to each of the daughters at the time of their marriage. Abraham D. Prince and Alexander Wolf are named as executors.

SKIN RAW AND FEVERISH-ITCHING INTENSE

Eczema is a tormenting, stubborn disease caused by an acid humor in the blood coming in contact with the skin and producing redness, inflammation and almost intolerable itching. An inactive state of the system and sluggish condition of the eliminative members leaves the waste and refuse matter of the body to collect and sour instead of passing them off through nature's channels of bodily waste. The blood in its efforts to purge the system of all foreign matter absorbs this acid and throws it off through the pores and glands of the skin. The acid humor seems to ooze out and set the skin on fire, the straw colored, sticky fluid drying and forming crusts, and the itching is intense. When these pustules are scratched off the skin is left raw and feverish and often a solid sore is formed and kept up by the constant escape of acids from the blood. Local applications of salves, powders, lotions etc. are desirable and should be used because they allay the itching and give the sufferer temporary comfort, but are in no sense curative, because they cannot reach the seat of the trouble, which is in the blood. S. S. S. goes down into the blood, cleanses the circulation of all acids and humors, builds up the thin, sour blood and by removing every vestige of the cause cures Eczema permanently. The irritating eruptions disappear, the itching and burning cease, and the acid-fired skin, being fed by a fresh, cooling stream of blood, becomes soft and smooth again. S. S. S. is made of healing, purifying roots, herbs and barks that will not damage any part of the system. Book on skin diseases and any medical advice free.

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MRS. ACKERT PRESIDENT OF HOSPITAL BOARD

Lady Managers of George Washington University Institution Hold Annual Meeting.

At a meeting of the board of lady managers of the George Washington University Hospital yesterday afternoon, the chairmen of committees gave their annual reports and the officers for the next year were elected. Mrs. Howard L. Hodgkins declined to be a candidate for re-election as president, and Mrs. S. E. Lewis and Mrs. W. McK. Stowell, having served the board most efficiently as treasurer and secretary for two years, were ineligible for re-election.

Mrs. C. H. Ackert was elected president; Mrs. C. J. Bell, first vice president; Mrs. H. C. Yarrow, second vice president; Mrs. Edward Bennett Rosa, recording secretary; Mrs. George H. Brown, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. E. J. Schuler, treasurer.

During the past winter S. S. board of lady managers, through its committees and members, has been very active in work for the hospital. It has raised more than \$3,000 toward the maintenance of the hospital, over \$1,500 of which formed the net proceeds of the annual students' ball given in February under the management of the board.

Forest Glen Seminary, through Mrs. W. H. Hoske, honorary president of the board of lady managers, sent a check for \$40 to endow a bed in the wards.

BIRD BACK TO NEST FOR EIGHTEENTH YEAR

Hasn't Missed a Season Since 1888, and, as Usual, Brings New Wife.

McKEEVER, N. Y., June 5.—For the eighteenth consecutive summer a Wilson thrush has come back to a patch of thick wood on the Henry Cooley place to nest, and has already picked out the same big bush that has served him several times. As usual he is accompanied by a new wife.

This particular Wilson thrush came to the attention of Mr. Cooley in 1888, because it was so tame that it would perch on the window-sill and take food out of his hand. The following summer it returned, and he placed a small silver band about one ankle, so that he could identify it to the satisfaction of his neighbors, who doubted the stories he told.

Since then the bird has returned regularly. During all this time he has chosen but two bushes in which to nest. The first would not have been deserted if fire had not singed the branches. The bird was then forced to select another tree bush, and this he did after much deliberation.

When the thrush came North this year he brought with him evidences of having been caught. On the silver band were scratched the initials "J. G." Of course, Mr. Cooley has placed no other "J. G." may be, but he supposes that the bird has struck up friendship with some one in the South, where he winters.

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